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SUBJ: BRITISH UNDERTAKINGS RE RHODESIA ARE "PATHETIC" AND

U.S. HAS NO STOMACH FOR REQUIRED ACTION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. TIMES OF ZAMBA EDITORIAL JUNE 11 DESCRIBED AS "PATHETIC" BRITISH PLEAS AT COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE NOT TO DOUBT BRITISH SINCERITY ABOUT A RHODESIA SOLUTION. BRITISH PERFORMANCE SO FAR HAS BEEN "A STRING OF BROKEN PROMISES" AND ANYONE WHO BELIEVES THAT THE BRITISH AND AMERICANS CAN GIVE BIRTH TO ZIMBABWE ARE DAY DREAMING THE EDITORIAL CAUTIONS PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S COMMONWEALTH SPEECHES ARE THE TRUE GUIDE TO ZIMBABWE LIBERATION.

2. ADDRESSING THE AMERICAN ROLE, THE EDITORIAL SAYS THAT THE UNCLASSIFIED

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INITIAL IMAGE OF CARTER AS A MAN ANXIOUS TO DEAL DECISIVELY WITH THE SMITHS AND VORSTERS OF THIS WORLD HAS BEEN UNMASKED AND THE AMERICANS ARE NOW REVEALED AS HAVING NO STOMACH FOR THE KIND OF ACTION THAT IS REQUIRED."

3. THE VORSTER-MONDALE MEETING IN VIENNA THE EDITORIAL VIEWS AS A HUMILIATING DEFEAT FOR THE AMERICANS EMBOLDENING

VORSTER TO ALLOW BOTHA TO MAKE THE OBSERVATION THAT THE AMERICANS WERE ASKING FOR THE "IMPOSSIBLE" IN SOUTH AFRICA.

4. THE EDITORIAL'S CONCLUSION SEES NO ALTERNATIVE BUT THE ARMED STRUGGLE IN RHODESIA. THE END IN RHODESIA WILL COME IN MONTHS NOT YEARS BECAUSE THE WAR IS BREATHING DOWN SMITH'S NECK AND THE REGIME IS BECOMING NET AS EXEMPLIFIED BY ITS "UTTERLY STUPID THEAT TO ZAMBIA BY HAWKINS OVER KARIBA POWER." CLINGERMAN

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